IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Confirmation No. 9375

LIU, et al. Art Unit: 4161

Serial No.: 10/598,033 Examiner: Zarek, Paul E. Filed: 16 August 2006 Atty. Dckt: 034226M003

For: Substituted Azole Compounds and Its

PREPARATION AND USE THEREOF

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 21 August 2008, wherein the Examiner required a restriction of claims 1-9, to which the time for response was set to expire 22 September 2008 (the 21st was a Sunday). Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.